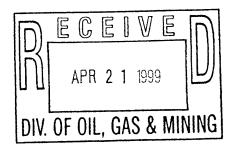


April 13, 1999



Ms. Pamela Grubaugh-Littig Permit Supervisor 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210 Box 145801 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801 ACT/015/018 #40 ACT/015/017 #40 ACT/015/0199 #40

Dear Ms. Grubaugh-Littig:

I am enclosing for submittal the 1st 1999 Engineering Inspection Reports for Cottonwood/Wilberg and Des Bee Dove Waste Rock Site and old Waste Rock Site. Also, the Deer Creek Waste Rock Site and Elk Canyon/Original Site are enclosed.

Sincerely,

John Christensen, P.E. Sr. Construction Engineer

Encls.

cc J. Blake Webster

INSPECTION AND CERTIFIED REPORT ON EXCESS SPOIL PILE OR REFUSE PILE			Page 1 of	
Permit Number	ACT/015/017/ACT/015/019	Report Date	April 12, 1999	
Mine Name	Cottonwood/Wilberg/Des-Bee-Dove/Trail Mountain			
Company Name	Energy West Mining Company			
Excess Spoil Pile or Refuse Pile Identification	Pile Name	Cottonwood Waste Rock Site		
	Pile Number			
	MSHA ID Number	1211-UT-09-01944-01		
Inspection Date	March 31, 1999			
Inspected By	John Christensen/Rick Cullum			
Reason for Inspection (Annual, Quarterly or Other Periodic Inspection, Critical Installation, or Completion of Construction)		1999 First Quarter Inspection		
		Attachments to Report? No Yes		

Field Evaluation

1. Foundation preparation, including the removal of all organic material and topsoil.

Foundation was prepared according to the approved plan.

Placement of underdrains and protective filter systems.

Not applicable.

Installation of final surface drainage systems.

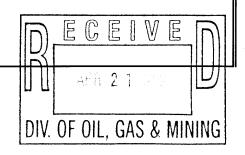
The out slopes of the containment berms are at their final configuration and have been revegetated. The inlet ditch to the pond has been lined with rip rap and is extended as the pile changes elevation.

Placement and compaction of fill materials.

The refuse piles are leveled in lifts with trash and extraneous material sorted according to the permitted plan. The active lift is approximately 70% capacity. The containment area in the North end of the site was full from recent pond cleanings. Some of the sediment from the Des-Bee-Dove pond cleaning remain in piles until the next site leveling.

5. Final grading and revegetation of fill.

The outslopes of each containment/lift berm have had final grading and vegetation completed.



Appearances of instability, structural weakness, and other hazardous conditions.

The south face of the refuse pile shows no indication of weakness or instabilities.

Other Comments. Describe any changes in the geometry of the Excess Spoil/Refuse Pile structure, instrumentation, average and maximum lifts of materials placed in the pile, elevations of active benches, total and remaining storage capacity of the structure, evidence of fires in the pile and abatement of such fires, volumes of materials placed in the structure during the year, and any other aspect of the structure affecting its stability or function which has occurred during the reporting period.

The total storage capacity of the site is a 784,000 cubic yards. The elevation of the current lift varies with the required drainage slope. The surveyed elevation at the center of the active lift is 6,800.6 ft. The final design elevation will be 6,850 ft. The entire site is approximately 35% capacity. The estimated volume hauled to the site year to date as of March 1, 1999 was was 2774 cubic yards. The useable area of the present lift is approximately 70% full of refuse piles. Cottonwood North pond cleanings were placed in the containment area on the north end of the site.

Certification Statement



I hereby certify that; I am experienced in the construction of earth and rock fills; I am qualified and authorized in the State of Utah to inspect and certify the condition and appearance of earth and rock fills in accordance with the certified and approved designs for this structure; that the fill structure has been maintained in accordance with approved design and meet or exceed the minimum design requirements under all applicable federal, state and local regulations; and, that inspections and inspection reports are made by myself and include any appearances of instability, structural weakness or other hazardous conditions of the structure affecting stability.

By: _______ John Christensen, Construction Engineer

(Full Name and Title)

P.E. Number & State:

Signature:

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Permit Number	ACT/015/0017/ACT/015/019	Report Date	April 12, 1999	
Mine Name	Cottonwood/Wilberg/Des-Bee-Dove			
Company Name	Energy West Mining Company			
Excess Spoil Pile or Refuse Pile Identification	Pile Name	Old Waste Rock Site		
	Pile Number			
	MSHA ID Number	42-01944 & 42-00988		
Inspection Date	March 31, 1999			
Inspected By	John Christensen/Ric	ck Cullum		
Reason for Inspe	ction her Periodic Inspection, r Completion of Construction)	1999 First Quarter Inspection		
		Attachments to Report?	No Yes	
Field Evaluation				
1. Foundation preparation, including the removal of all organic material and topsoil. Constructed according to plan.				
2. Placement of underdrains and protective filter systems.				
Not applicable.				
3. Installation of final surface drainage systems.				
All surfaces are at their final configuration and drainage established.				

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By: <u>John Christensen, Construction Engineer</u>

(Full Name and Title)

Signature:

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